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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON MAAGS-CONVERSION OF MDAO
TO ODC

REF: TOKYO 6724, DTG 090916 MAY 1977

1. WE AGREE WITH YOUR ASSESSMENT THAT TRANSITION FROM A
MUTUAL DEFENSE ASSISTANCE OFFICE (MDAO), AS CURRENTLY
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CONFIGURED, TO SIX INSTEAD OF SEVEN US MILITARY PERSONNEL
SHOULD NOT PRESENT ANY INSURMOUNTABLE PROBLEMS. IT SHOULD
NOT NECESSITATE RENEGOTIATION OF THE PRESENT MUTUAL DEFENSE
ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (MDAA) OF 1954 OR SUBSIDIARY AGREE-
MENTS EVOLVING THEREFROM. THEREFORE, IN DISCUSSIONS WITH
THE GOJ ON THIS MATTER, YOU SHOULD ADVISE HOST OFFICIALS
THAT WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY REQUIREMENT FOR MAJOR CHANGES

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IN OPERATIONAL RELATIONSHIP AND THAT OUR ABILITY TO MEET PROGRAM OBJECTIVES WILL NOT BE DEGRADED.

2. THE LEGISLATION NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEES OF BOTH HOUSES CONTAINS NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE NAME OR TITLE OF THE ORGANIZATION TO PERFORM SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNCTIONS IN OVERSEAS AREAS; THEREFORE, "MDAO" SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE USED TO IDENTIFY THE ACTIVITY IN JAPAN; THERE IS NO BAR CONTEMPLATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF FUNCTIONS NOW BEING ACCOMPLISHED BY THE MDAO.

3. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE IN MDAO NAME OR STATUS (EXCEPT FOR REDUCTION OF ONE MILITARY MEMBER), WE WOULD HOPE NOT TO DISTURB PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOST COUNTRY CONTRIBUTIONS IN CASH AND ASSISTANCE IN KIND.

4. THE SIZE OF US CIVILIAN AND LOCAL NATIONAL COMPONENTS OF THE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION SHOULD AS IN THE PAST BE THOSE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH ESSENTIAL WORK REQUIREMENTS. AN ARBITRARY LEVEL WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED; HOWEVER, DETAILED JUSTIFICATION WILL CONTINUE TO BE REQUIRED.

5. THIS IS A JOINT STATE-DEFENSE MESSAGE. CHRISTOPHER

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